

## **METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR AVOIDING SIMULTANEOUS SERVICE ORIGINATION AND PAGING IN A GROUP COMMUNICATION NETWORK**

### **ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE**

[0123] A method and apparatus for avoiding simultaneous service origination and paging in a mobile operating in a group communication network provides for receiving a floor-control request, e.g., in short data burst (SDB) form, from a source communication device for initiating a group call, initiating a service origination process for the source communication device, and transmitting a response to the floor-control request from a controller after the service origination process is complete. In one aspect, the method and apparatus provides for transmitting a response to the floor-control request from a wireless infrastructure after the service origination process is complete. In another aspect, the method and apparatus provides for initiating the service origination process for the source communication device after transmitting the response to the source communication device.